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KDHE appreciates the opportunity to review and comment on the draft RFA report for the HRI facility. Should you have any questions concerning these comments please call me at (913) 296-1612.

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